

**WALNUT CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Su called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** C/Ching led the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: M/Su, MPT/Tragarz, C/Ching, C/Pacheco

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: C/Rodriguez

Also present: City Manager Wishner; Administrative Services Director Ogawa; Community Development Director Weiner; Community Services Director Rooney; City Attorney Leibold; Finance Officer Cortez; City Planner Carlson; Public Information Officer Tep; Senior Management Analyst Layman; Administrative Assistant Markel; and City Clerk De Dios.

**INVOCATION - NON-DENOMINATIONAL:** The invocation was led by Pastor Conrad Miranda of Gospel Life Community Church.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

- **Fall 2017 Business of the Quarter - Sophie's Wags to Whiskers (Pet Grooming)**

Council recognized and congratulated Barbara Tibbetts and Valerie Lee on their business being named "Fall 2017 Business of the Quarter."

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL:**

Daniel Luevanos invited the Council to attend the One Legacy's Rose Parade float dedication.

Doug Todd shared some of the comments he received for his remarks at the last City Council meeting regarding Mt. San Antonio College's (Mt. SAC) stadium project.

There being no further input, it was moved by C/Ching to close oral communications; seconded by MPT/Tragarz. Motion carried.

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**MINUTES:**

1. **Approval of the September 27, 2017 Study Session Meeting**
2. **Approval of the October 25, 2017 City Council/WHA Meeting**

**MOTION ON ITEMS 1 & 2**

*C/Pacheco made a motion to approve Items 1 & 2; seconded by C/Ching.  
Motion carried by the following electronic vote:*

**AYES:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: Ching, Pacheco, Su, Tragarz*  
**NOES:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: None*  
**ABSTAIN:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: None*  
**ABSENT:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: Rodriguez*

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None scheduled.

**ORDINANCE:** None scheduled.

**COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR:**

3. **Resolution No. 17-59 - A Resolution of the City of Walnut Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$1,505,689.92, Demand No. 154688 through No. 154772, Both Inclusive**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 17-59.

4. **Bi-Annual Sport Group and Tournament Field Use Request – Spring 2018**

**Recommendation:** The Walnut Parks and Recreation Commission recommends that the City Council:

1. Approve the Bi-Annual Use Agreements for January through July 2018 for American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO), Walnut Youth Softball, Walnut Pony Baseball, and DBWV-FC Man United for the following use requests; and
2. Authorize the Director of Community Services to execute and administer said agreements in substantially the form attached and in such final form as approved by the City Attorney; and
3. Approve the following Sunday Use and Tournament requests.  
Field Use Requests:
  - a) Use of **Butterfield Park** by DBWV-FC Man United Soccer Club from February 1, 2018 through July 31, 2018;

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- b) Use of **Creekside Park** by Walnut Valley Pony Baseball on January 6, 13 & 16, 2018 for tryouts and a coach’s meeting, and from January 29, 2018 through May 19, 2018 for practices/games;
- c) Use of **Snow Creek Park** by Walnut Valley Pony Baseball from February 26, 2018 through May 19, 2018;
- d) Use of **Suzanne Park** by Walnut Youth Softball on January 20, 2018 for tryouts, and from January 29, 2018 through July 13, 2018 for practices/games (excluding July 3 – July 5); and DBWV-FC Man United Soccer from February 1 through July 31, 2018 (excluding July 3 – July 5);
- e) Use of **Walnut Ranch Park** by AYSO from January 30, 2018 through June 2, 2018 (*excluding April 13 and May 11 due to Westhoff Elementary School events*); and DBWV-FC Man United from February 1, 2018 through May 31, 2018 (*excluding April 13 and May 11 due to Westhoff Elementary School events*). These are mutually agreed upon divisions of field use between AYSO and FC Man United Soccer;
- f) That the request for Sunday use of **Walnut Ranch Park** be approved as in previous years for DBWV-FC Man United Soccer; and
- g) That the tournaments be approved as requested

Sunday Use and Tournaments Requests:

Waivers for Sunday use have been approved following consideration by the Parks and Recreation Commission and the City Council, and again, are being requested by DBWV-FC Man United from February 1 through May 31, 2018 at Walnut Ranch Park.

The *Facility Use and Allocation Policy* states that “sports organizations with approved Facility Use Permits are limited to two tournaments per year.”

The following youth sports groups have requested tournaments at the following parks: **Walnut Ranch Park** by AYSO on April 27, 28 and 29, 2018; May 4, 5 and 6, 2018 and DBWV-FC Man United on August 3, 4 and 5, 2018; August 10, 11 and 12, 2018. **Suzanne Park** by Walnut Youth Softball on May 25, 26, 27 and 28 (Memorial Weekend).

**5. Walnut Valley Pony Baseball’s Request to Host Bronco Regional and Mustang World Series Tournaments July 12-July 29, 2018 at Creekside Park with Fees Waived**

**Recommendation:** The Walnut Parks and Recreation Commission recommends that the City Council approve Walnut Valley Pony Baseball’s (WVPB) request to host regional Bronco Zone 11U tournaments and the Mustang 9U World Series from July 12-July 29, 2018 at Creekside Park with fees waived.

**6. Use Agreement No. 18-06 between the City of Walnut and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District for vacant property located south of Divonne Drive and east of Pierre Road (APN 8720-016-901)**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

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1. Enter into a Use Agreement between the City of Walnut and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District for vacant property located south of Divonne Drive and east of Pierre Road (APN 8720-016-901);
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute and administer said Agreement, and any other documents to effect the foregoing, on behalf of the City in substantially the form attached hereto, and in such final form as may be approved by the City Attorney; and
3. Direct Staff to obtain permits and associated approvals from the Los Angeles County Flood District.

**7. Acceptance of Houma City as Friendship City**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council accept Houma City as a Friendship City of Walnut and direct staff to send the Friendship City Proclamation to the Mayor of Houma City.

**MOTION ON ITEMS 3 - 7**

*C/Ching made a motion to approve Items 3 - 7; seconded by MPT/Tragarz. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:*

**AYES:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *Ching, Pacheco, Su, Tragarz*  
**NOES:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *None*  
**ABSTAIN:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *None*  
**ABSENT:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *Rodriguez*

**SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR:** None scheduled.

**COUNCIL DISCUSSION/TRANSACTION ITEMS:**

8. **Appeal - Site Plan/Architectural Review (SPC/AR) 2017-049 (Sun)** – An appeal of the October 4, 2017 decision of the Walnut Planning Commission to deny the request to construct a two (2) story addition and a garage expansion located at 1408 Shade Tree Place

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

1. Hear the staff report;
2. Receiving testimony from the appellant and any other member of the public regarding the project; and
3. The City Council can take either of the following actions:
  - a. APPROVE the appeal of SPC/AR 2017-49, and reverse the Planning Commission’s October 4, 2017 decision to deny the project, thus directing Staff to bring the item back to the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting with Condition of Approval (COA).
  - b. DENY the appeal of SPC/AR 2017-49 and uphold the Planning Commission’s October 4, 2017 decision to deny the project.

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CDD/Weiner provided a staff report.

Discussion amongst Council and staff took place regarding the concerns of the project from the Planning Commission as well as staff including: the floorplan of the first floor as well as the requirement for a five-car garage due to ten bedrooms.

C/Ching inquired into options of applicant if the project is denied, to which CDD/Weiner stated that the applicant would have to submit a new application, plans, and new fees.

The applicant's architect as well as the applicant's representative provided information regarding the project.

Council emphasized the importance of working with the Planning Commission and staff when concerns are presented.

**MOTION ON ITEM 8**

*C/Pacheco made a motion to deny the appeal of SPC/AR 2017-49 and uphold the Planning Commission's October 4, 2017 decision to deny the project; seconded by C/Ching. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:*

**AYES:**            **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *Ching, Pacheco, Su, Tragarz*  
**NOES:**            **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*  
**ABSTAIN:**        **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*  
**ABSENT:**         **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *Rodriguez*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS (COUNCIL MEMBERS AND STAFF):**

**A. Councilmembers' report on meetings attended at the expense of the local agency**

There was none.

**B. Individual Members' comments and updates**

C/Ching shared information regarding an e-recycling day at Walnut High School and a scholarship opportunity.

C/Pacheco asked that an item be placed on the next agenda for the City Council meeting regarding Mt. SAC.

MPT/Tragarz invited veterans to attend an event at Suzanne Middle School honoring veterans.

Council thanked staff for their hard work in regards to the health fair as well as the Halloween events.

**COUNCIL LATE BUSINESS:** None.

**RECESS TO THE MEETING OF THE WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Authority Chair Su called the meeting to order at 7:56 p.m.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR HOUSING AUTHORITY:**

There being no one present wishing to speak during oral communications, it was moved by AM/Ching; seconded by AM/Pacheco to close oral communications. Motion carried.

**AUTHORITY PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None scheduled.

**AUTHORITY CONSENT CALENDAR:**

9. **Resolution No. 17-13 WHA - A Resolution of the Walnut Housing Authority Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$38,339.56 Demand No. 100356 through No. 100356, Both Inclusive**

**Recommendation:** That the Authority adopt Resolution No. 17-13 WHA.

**MOTION ON ITEM 9**

*AM/Ching made a motion to adopt Item 9; seconded by AM/Pacheco. Motion carried by the following electronic vote:*

**AYES:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: Ching, Pacheco, Su, Tragarz*  
**NOES:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: None*  
**ABSTAIN:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: None*  
**ABSENT:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: Rodriguez*

**AUTHORITY DISCUSSION/TRANSACTION ITEMS:** None scheduled.

**AUTHORITY LATE BUSINESS:** There was none.

**AUTHORITY ADJOURNS TO CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

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**CLOSED SESSION:** Council went into closed session at 8:07 p.m.

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL--ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**  
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (1 potential case)
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION**  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Gov't Code § 54956.9)  
United Walnut Taxpayers v Mt San Antonio Community College District, et al.  
Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BC 576587  
[Consolidated with Case Nos. BS 154389, BC 600860 and BS159593]
- C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION**  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Gov't Code § 54956.9)  
City of Walnut v Mt San Antonio Community College District, et al.  
Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BS 166152
- D. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION**  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Gov't Code § 54956.9)  
City of Walnut v Mt San Antonio Community College District, et al.  
Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BS 170683

**RECONVENE COUNCIL MEETING AND ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION ACTION**

The meeting reconvened at 8:58 p.m. There was no reportable action on items A, B, C, or D.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the City Council meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

**PASSED AND APPROVED this 13th day of December 2017.**

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Mary Su, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Teresa De Dios, City Clerk

PREPARED BY:

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Ray Markel, Administrative Assistant